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(Cincinnati, Ohio) Records**

**Manuscript Collection No. 36**

District Grand Lodge



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## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. 2. Records
<b>Dates</b>	1904-1978 (bulk 1940-1978)
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS-36
<b>Repository</b>	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
<b>Creator</b>	B'nai B'rith. District Grand Lodge No. 2
<b>Extent</b>	80 linear feet (200 Hollinger boxes)
<b>Language of the Material</b>	English

## Administrative Information

<b>Biographical Sketch</b>	District No. 2 of B'nai B'rith was founded in 1851 to cover the district made up of Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and all other states and territories between the Allegheny Mountains and the Rocky Mountains. Today the district includes Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, and Wyoming.
<b>Scope and Content</b>	Contains correspondence, financial records, membership records, reports, proceedings, committee records, minutes, constitutions, by-laws, photographs, and newspaper clippings. The papers show the day to day activities of the Lodge (through the financial and membership records), while also showing the overall activities and policies of the District (through correspondence, committee minutes and information on the services rendered by the district lodge).
<b>Arrangement</b>	Organized into three (3) series: A. General, 1904-1976; B. Conventions and Nearprint, 1911-1978; C. Extra Copy Files, 1951-1957.
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## Index Terms

<b>Subjects</b>	Jews -- Societies, etc.
<b>Corporate Names</b>	B'nai B'rith International / B'nai B'rith. District Grand Lodge No. 2
<b>Media</b>	By-laws / Constitutions / Minutes / Photographs

### Series A. General, 1904-1976

**Extent** 54.4 linear feet (136 Hollinger boxes)

**Scope and Content Note** Contains information on all of-the activities of District Lodge # 2. The Series reflects the district's interaction with individual lodges within its district as well as with the district's representative lodge, the Supreme Lodge, based in Washington, D.C. The Series shows the day-to-day activities of the Lodge (through the financial and membership records) while also

showing the overall activities and policies of the District (through correspondence, committee minutes and information on the services rendered by the district lodge).

## **Arrangement**

The first forty-five boxes of Series A contain the files for the years 1904 through 1958. Thereafter the files are arranged chronologically by fiscal years and alphabetically within each year.

## **Container List**

Box A1 to A-4. Membership records, 1929-1957.

Box A5. Membership records, 1918-1956.

Box A5. Legal Documents, 1893-1951.

Box A5. Minutes, 1939-1950.

Box A6 to A7. Financial Records, 1904-1957.

Box A8. Pension, 1954.

Box A9. District Court, 1956.

Box A10. B'nai B'rith, District Lodges 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 13 [correspondence, bulletins and directories].

Box A11 to A17. Lodges, correspondence with [alphabetical by city], 1916-1958.

Box A18. Lodges, correspondence with (continued) Inter-lodge activities.

Box A19 to A20. Executive Committee [correspondence and reports], 1930-1957.

Box A21. Field Director [correspondence, reports, expense accounts], 1941-1953.

Box A22. Armed Forces, Post World War II materials [correspondence with American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Vocational Guidance Committee, Vocational Service Bureau, Veterans Affairs Office, etc.], 1946-1956.

Box A23. Constitutions, by-laws, handbooks and manuals, 1926-1951.

Box A24. Leadership forums, 1951-1955.

Box A24. Adult Jewish education--committees and institutes, 1950-1956.

Box A24. Institutes on Judaism, 1950-195.

Box A25 to A26. Supreme Lodge [bulletins, correspondence, minutes].

Box A27. Speakers' Bureau [correspondence, list of speakers and speeches], 1944-1957.

Box A28. Committee on Boy Scouts of America.

Box A28. Educational Committee [re essay contest], 1953-1955.

Box A28. American Jewish Conference, 1947-1948.

Box A28. American Jewish Committee, 1947.

Box A28. Opinions, 1938-1950.

Box A28. Monsky [Henry] Foundation.

Box A28. Committees.

Box A29. Committees.

Box A29. National Jewish Monthly, 1953-1957.

Box A30. B'nai B'rith Leo M. Levy Memorial Hospital (Hot Springs National Park), 1946-1957.

Box A30. National Jewish Hospital (Denver, Colorado), 1931-1948.

Box A30. National Home for Jewish Children (Denver, Colorado), 1948.

Box A30. Bellefaire Orphan Home (Cleveland, Ohio), 1942-1957.

Box A31. Israel and Zionism [Zionist Organization of America, Martyr's Forest], 1948-1957.

Box A32. Citizenship.

Box A32. Committee on Americanism and Civic Affairs, 1948-1956.

Box A33. B'nai B'rith, District #2, Bulletin, 1930, 1952-1960.

Box A34. Deputies' report.

Box A34. Interlodge Councils.

Box A34. State Associations.

Box A35. Histories of B'nai B'rith, District Lodge #2 [correspondence and pamphlets], 1932-1953.

Box A36. Women's Lodges.

Box A36. Supreme Lodge.

Box A37. Women's Auxiliaries [alphabetical by city], 1945-1948.

Box A37. Awards Committee [annual reports], 1954-1957.

Box A38 to A39. General Committee.

Box A40. Synagogue Cooperation Committee.

Box A40. Public Relations.

Box A40. Program Planning, 1949-1950.

Box A40. Publicity, 1949-1950.

Box A40. Religious Services.

Box A41 to A42. Anti-Defamation League [arranged by states], 1948-1955.

Box A41 to A42. Joint Defense Appeal, 1943.

Box A43. Youth service and youth organizations, 1948-1957.

Box A44. Hillel [correspondence, reports, bulletins], 1948-1957.

Box A45. Bowling Associations.

Box A45. Publications.

Box A45. Small Lodges Committee.

Box A45. Tercentenary.

Box A46. Reports.

Box A47. A-B, 1957-1958.

Box A48. C-M, 1957-1958.

Box A49. R-V, 1957-1958.

Box A50. B-G, 1958-1959.

Box A51. H-Y, 1958-1959.

Box A52. A-C, 1959-1960.

Box A53. D-S, 1959-1960.

Box A54. A-B, 1960-1961.

Box A55. B-L, 1960-1961.

Box A56. M-V, 1960-1961.  
Box A57. B-G, 1961-1962.  
Box A58. H-Lodges, A-C, 1961-1962.  
Box A59. Lodges, C-L, 1961-1962.  
Box A60. Lodges, L-Z, 1961-1962.  
Box A61. M-V, 1961-1962.  
Box A62. Bn-H, 1962-1963.  
Box A63. I-S, 1962-1963.  
Box A64. A-Bn, 1963-1964.  
Box A65. Bo-F, 1963-1964.  
Box A66. G-M, 1963-1964.  
Box A67. N-W, 1963-1964.  
Box A68. Bo-K, 1964-1965.  
Box A69. L-S, 1964-1965.  
Box A70. Bo-L, 1965-1966.  
Box A71. M-S, 1965-1966.  
Box A72. A-Bn, 1966-1967.  
Box A73. Bo-D, 1966-1967.  
Box A74. F-I, 1966-1967.  
Box A75. J-N, 1966-1967.  
Box A76. O-S, 1966-1967.  
Box A77. S-V, 1966-1967.  
Box A78. Bo-H, 1967-1968.  
Box A79. I-K, 1967-1968.  
Box A80. Le-Lodges, A-C, 1967-1968.  
Box A81. Lodges, C-D, 1967-1968.  
Box A82. Lodges, E-L, 1967-1968.  
Box A83. Lodges, M-T, 1967-1968.  
Box A84. Lodges, W-Z, -N, 1967-1968.  
Box A85. O-S, 1967-1968.  
Box A86. S-W, 1967-1968.  
Box A87. A-Bn, 1968-1969.  
Box A88. Bo-D, 1968-1969.  
Box A89. D-L, 1968-1969.  
Box A90. M-P, 1968-1969.  
Box A91. P-Y, 1968-1969.  
Box A92. A-Bn, 1969-1970.  
Box A93. Br-H, 1969-1970.  
Box A94. I-M, 1969-1970.

Box A95. N-Y, 1969-1970.  
Box A96. A-B, 1970-1971.  
Box A97. C-Fund Raising, 1970-1971.  
Box A98. Fund Raising-M, 1970-1971.  
Box A99. N-T, 1970-1971.  
Box A100. A-Bn, 1971-1972.  
Box A101. Bn-D, 1971-1972.  
Box A102. F-H, 1971-1972.  
Box A103. I-O, 1971-1972.  
Box A104. O-Z, 1971-1972.  
Box A105. A-Bn, 1972-1973.  
Box A106. Bn-F, 1972-1973.  
Box A107. B-Le, 1972-1973.  
Box A108. Lodges, A-C, 1972-1973.  
Box A109. Lodges, C-E, 1972-1973.  
Box A110. Lodges, E-M, 1972-1973.  
Box A111. Lodges, M-S, 1972-1973.  
Box A112. Lodges, S-Z, 1972-1973.  
Box A113. M-S, 1972-1973.  
Box A114. S-Y, 1972-1973.  
Box A115. A-B, 1973-1974.  
Box A116. C-K, 1973-1974.  
Box A117. K-Lodge, 1973-1974.  
Box A118. Lodges, A-H, 1973-1974.  
Box A119. Lodges, I-T, 1973-1974.  
Box A120. Lodges, T-Z, -R, 1973-1974.  
Box A121. S, 1973-1974.  
Box A122. S-Y, 1973-1974.  
Box A123. A-B, 1974-1975.  
Box A124. C-L, 1974-1975.  
Box A125. L-M, 1974-1975.  
Box A126. M-S, 1974-1975.  
Box A127. S-Y, 1974-1975.  
Box A128. A-B, 1975-1976.  
Box A129. B-C, 1975-1976.  
Box A130. C-G, 1975-1976.  
Box A131. G-L, 1975-1976.  
Box A132. L-M, 1975-1976.  
Box A133. M-P, 1975-1976.

Box A134. P-Y, 1975-1976.

Box A135. A-I, 1976-1977.

Box A136. L-Y, 1976-1977.

## **Series B. Conventions and Printed Material, 1911-1978**

**Extent** 15.2 linear feet (38 Hollinger boxes)

**Scope and Content Note** Consists of the printed material produced by the district (brochures describing the District, manuals on membership recruitment, etc.), as well as correspondence, nearprint and proceedings about national and district conventions. Boxes B30 onward were accessioned after the writing of the inventory.

**Arrangement** The series is arranged chronologically.

### **Container List**

Box B1. Conventions and printed material, 1911-1920, 1934-1948.

Box B2. Conventions and printed material, 1949-1950.

Box B3. Conventions and printed material, 1951-1952.

Box B4. Conventions and printed material, 1953-1954.

Box B5. Conventions and printed material, 1955.

Box B6. Conventions and printed material, 1956.

Box B7. Conventions and printed material, 1957.

Box B8. Conventions and printed material, 1958.

Box B9. Conventions and printed material, 1959.

Box B10. Conventions and printed material, 1960.

Box B11. Conventions and printed material, 1960-1961.

Box B12. Conventions and printed material, 1961-1963.

Box B13. Conventions and printed material, 1963.

Box B14. Conventions and printed material, 1964.

Box B15. Conventions and printed material, 1964-1968.

Box B16. Conventions and printed material, 1969-1970.

Box B17 to B18. Conventions and printed material, 1971.

Box B19 to B20. Conventions and printed material, 1972.

Box B21. Conventions and printed material, 1973.

Box B22 to B23. Conventions and printed material, 1974.

Box B24. Conventions and printed material, 1975.

Box B25 to B26. Conventions and printed material, 1976.

Box B27. Conventions and printed material, 1976-1977.

Box B28 to B29. Conventions and printed material.

Box B30. Conventions and printed material, 1851-1886.

Box B31. Conventions and printed material, 1887-1907.

Box B32. Conventions and printed material, 1907-1917.

Box B33. Conventions and printed material, 1917-1926.

Box B34. Conventions and printed material, 1926-1935.

Box B35. Conventions and printed material, 1935-1941.

Box B36. Conventions and printed material, 1941-1948.

Box B37. Conventions and printed material, 1948-1963.

Box B38. Conventions and printed material, 1963-1978.

## **Series C. Extra Copy Files, 1951-1957**

**Extent** 10.4 linear feet (26 Hollinger boxes)

**Scope and Content Note** Contains copies of the material mimeographed by B'nai B'rith, District # 2. Items in this series include form letters, memoranda, lists of lodges and notices of meetings.

**Arrangement** The series is arranged chronologically.

### **Container List**

Box C1. Mimeographed material, 1951 September-1952 June.

Box C2. Mimeographed material, 1953 June-September.

Box C3. Mimeographed material, 1953 November-1954 August.

Box C4. Mimeographed material, 1954 September-1955 June.

Box C5. Mimeographed material, 1955 July-1956 May.

Box C6. Mimeographed material, 1956 June-1957 March.

Box C7. Mimeographed material, 1957 April-1958 March.

Box C8. Mimeographed material, 1958 April-1959 January.

Box C9. Mimeographed material, 1959 January-1960 February.

Box C10. Mimeographed material, 1960 June-1961 April.

Box C11. Mimeographed material, 1961 March-1962 May.

Box C12. Mimeographed material, 1962 June-1963 June.

Box C13. Mimeographed material, 1963 July-1964 August.

Box C14. Mimeographed material, 1964 September-1965 August.

Box C15. Mimeographed material, 1965 September-1966 June.

Box C16. Mimeographed material, 1966 July-1967 May.

Box C17. Mimeographed material, 1967 June-1968 May.

Box C18. Mimeographed material, 1968 June-1969 June.

Box C19. Mimeographed material, 1969 July-1970 September.

Box C20. Mimeographed material, 1970 October-1971 October.

Box C21. Mimeographed material, 1971 November-1972 December.

Box C22. Mimeographed material, 1973 January-1974 February.

Box C23. Mimeographed material, 1974 March-1975 July.



Box C24. Mimeographed material, 1975 August-1976 November.

Box C25. Mimeographed material, 1976 December-1977 May.

Box C26. Miscellaneous photographs.